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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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| 1.            | 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s). |                   |                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                      |                 |       |       |      |        |       |       |       |                 |       |               |        |       |    |      |                |      |               |      |                                                    |          |
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|               | Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                   |                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                      |                 |       |       |      |        |       |       |       |                 |       |               |        |       |    |      |                |      |               |      |                                                    |          |
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| 3.            | 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                   |                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                      |                 |       |       |      |        |       |       |       |                 |       |               |        |       |    |      |                |      |               |      |                                                    |          |
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